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To the Chairman and Members of the
Public Health Committee



I submit herewith my Annual Report for 1943 made
to the Rural District Council of Godstone. It is in an
abridged form in accordance with the requirements of the
Ministry of Health.

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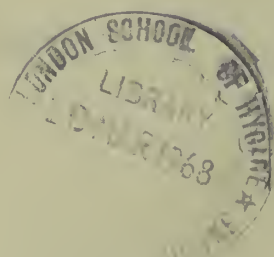
Your obedient Servant,

J.R.BENTLEY,

Actg. Medical Officer of Health.

September, 1944.

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Council Offices,

OXFORD, Surrey.

1943.

TO THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF GODSTONE
THE LOCAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

I beg to submit herewith the abridged Annual Report for Godstone, Rural District, compiled as instructed by the Ministry of Health for 1943.

The Report includes:-

- (1) The Annual Report of the health and sanitary conditions of the District.
- (2) The Report of the District Hospital (Infectious Diseases)

SECTION 1.

Statistics of the Area

Area in acres: 52,507.

Resident population as estimated by the Registrar General for the mid-year 1943: 28,560

Number of inhabited houses at the end of 1943 according to the Rate Books: 8,116

Rateable Value: £307,314

Sum represented by a 1d. rate: £1232.4.0d.

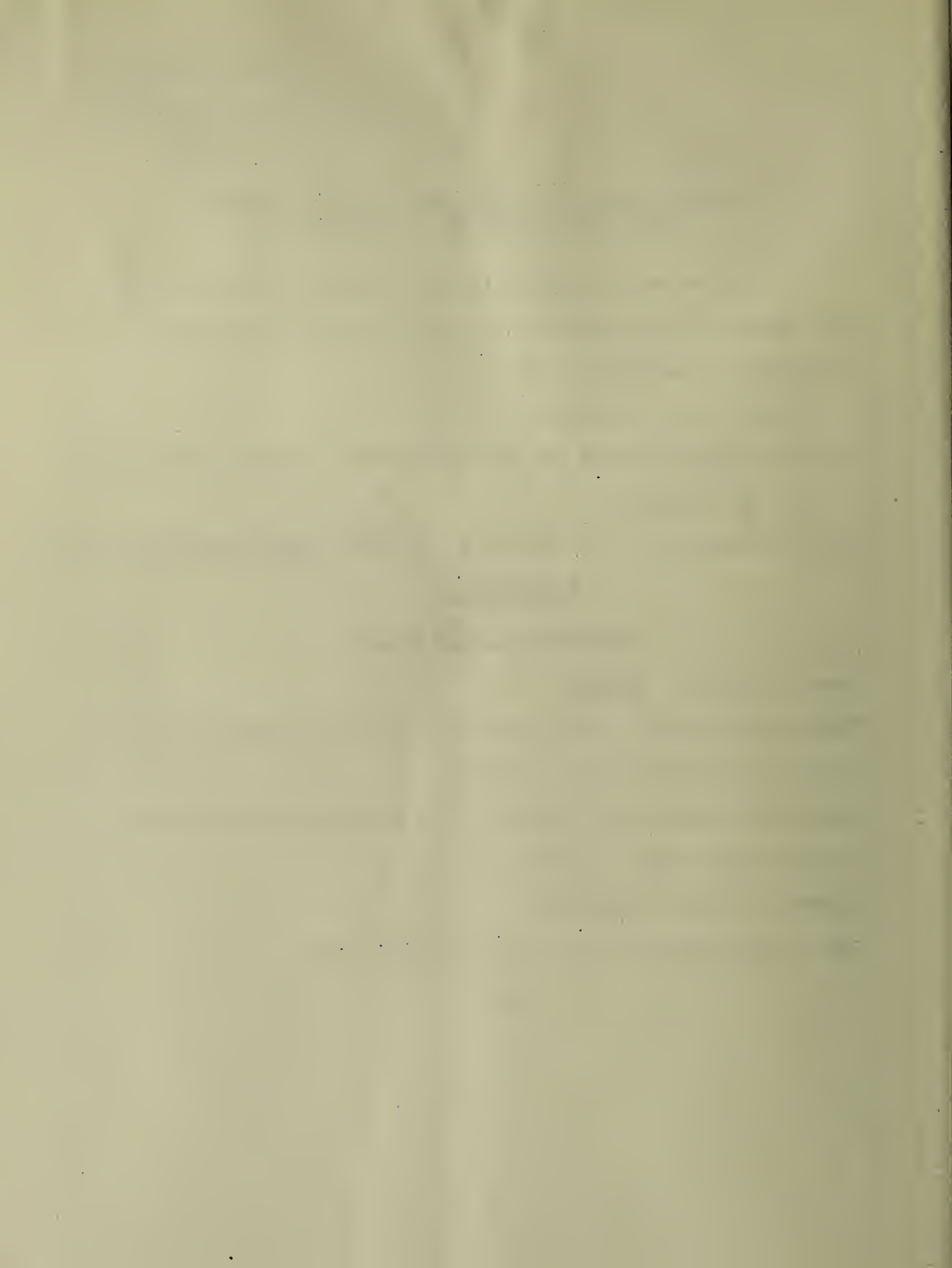


Table 1.

| Parishes. | Area in Acres | Rateable Value 31st Dec. 1943. | Population at Census 1931 of Parishes as Reconstituted. |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Bletchingley. | 5,813 | £25,356 | 2,461 |
| Burstow | 4,750 | £21,729 | 1,905 |
| Chelsham. | 2,703 | £11,139 | 1,209 |
| Crowhurst | 2,119 | £ 2,126 | 303 |
| Godstone. | 5,670 | £37,025 | 3,102. |
| Horne | 3,932 | £9,255 | 852. |
| Limpsfield | 4,673 | £48,426 | 3,167. |
| Lingfield | 9,239 | £48,743 | 5,214 |
| Nutfield | 3,390 | £21,724 | 2,030. |
| Oxted | 3,658 | £63,667 | 3,799. |
| Tandridge | 3,267 | £7,370 | 736. |
| Tatsfield | 1,304 | £8,972 | 925. |
| Titsey | 1,989 | £1,782 | 163. |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Totals | 52,507 | £307,314 | 25,866. |

VITAL STATISTICS.

TABLE 2.

| | | <u>Total</u> | <u>Males.</u> | <u>Females.</u> |
|-------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Live Births | { Legitimate | 463 | 227 | 236 |
| | { Illegitimate | 56 | 34 | 22 |

Birth Rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population= 18.107.

| | | <u>Total.</u> | <u>Males</u> | <u>Females.</u> |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Still Births. | { Legitimate | 15 | 10 | 5 |
| | { Illogitimate | 1 | 1 | 0 |

Rate per 1,000 total births = 30.8

Deaths:Males 166 Females 176 Total 342.

Death rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population = 11.9.

Deaths from diseases and accidents of pregnancy and
child birth = 0

From other causes = 0.

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Death rate of infants under one year of age:

| | | Total. | Males | Females. |
|-----------------|---------------|--------|-------|----------|
| Actual Number { | Legitimate. | 19 | 10 | 9 |
| | Illegitimate. | 1 | 1 | 0 |

All infants per 1,000 live births = 38.53

Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births = 41.03

Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births = 17.8

Deaths from Measles (all ages) = 0

Death from Whooping Cough (all ages) = 0

Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) = 2.

CAUSES OF DEATH

TABLE 3

| | <u>Males.</u> | <u>Females.</u> |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Typhoid Fever | 1 | 0 |
| Diphtheria | 1 | 0 |
| Scarlet Fever | 0 | 0 |
| Cerebro Spinal Fever | 1 | 0 |
| Syphilis | 0 | 0 |
| Cerebro Haemorrhage, etc., | | |
| Intra-cranial vascular lesions) | 17 | 18 |
| Influenza | 3 | 5 |
| Tuberculosis of respiratory system | 2 | 3 |
| Other Tuberculosis | 0 | 1 |
| Cancer, malignant disease | 21 | 30 |
| Diabetes | 0 | 1 |
| Heart Disease | 53 | 51 |
| Other circulatory diseases | 6 | 6 |
| Bronchitis | 4 | 8 |
| Pneumonia (all forms) | 10 | 6 |
| Other respiratory diseases | 1 | 0 |
| Ulcer of stomach or duodenum | 2 | 0 |
| Digestive Diseases | 4 | 7 |
| Appendicitis | 1 | 2 |
| Congenital Debility premature | | |
| birth malformations, etc., | 8 | 6 |
| Road traffic accidents | 5 | 0 |
| Suicide | 1 | 2 |
| Other violence | 3 | 13 |
| Puerperal Diseases (not puerperal sepsis) | 0 | 0 |
| Other maternal Causes | 0 | 0 |
| Diarrhoea (under 2 years) | 1 | 1 |
| Whooping cough | 0 | 0 |
| Acute Chronic Nephritis | 4 | 5 |
| All other causes | 17 | 11 |
| | <hr/> 166 <hr/> | <hr/> 176 <hr/> |

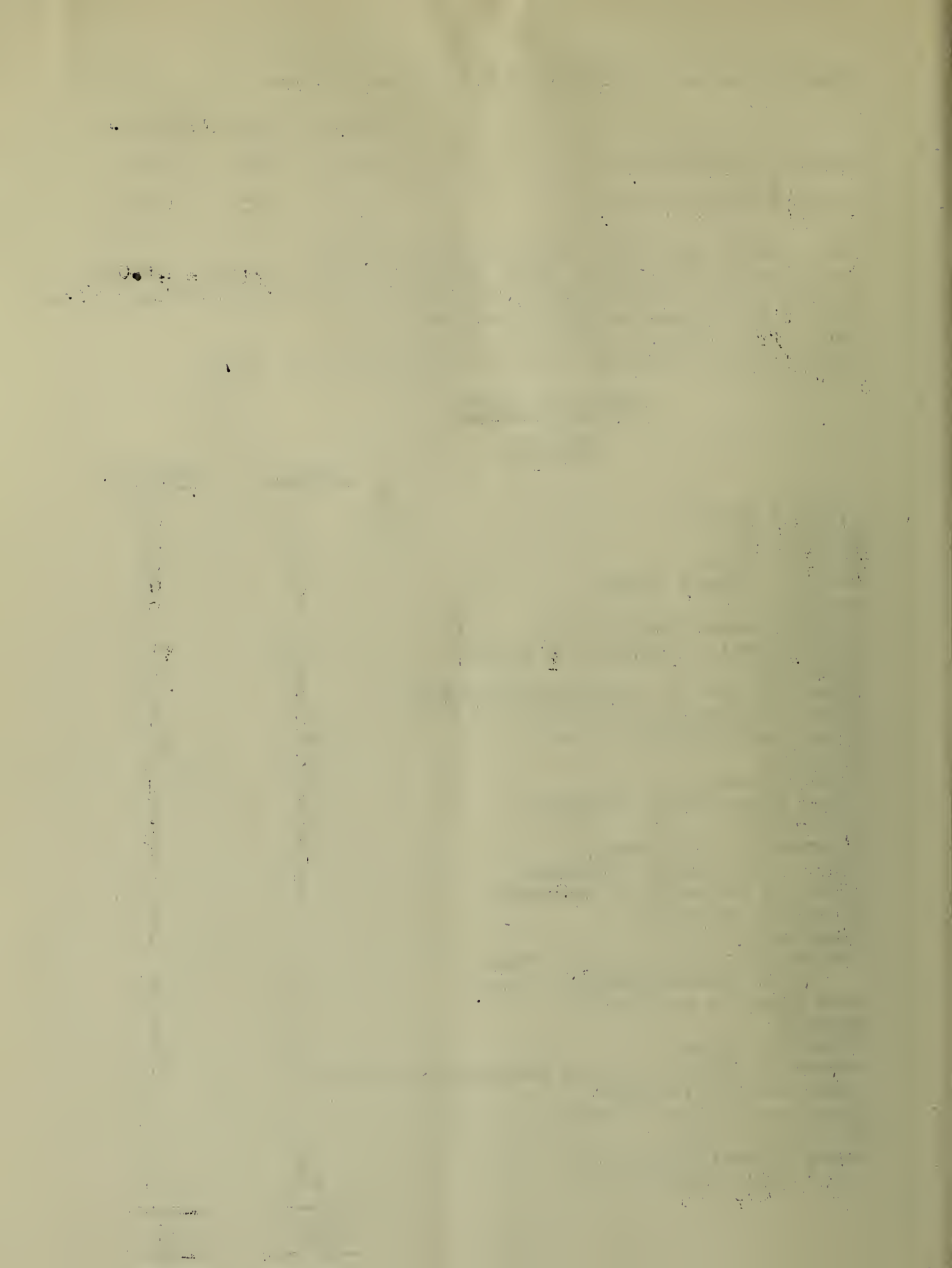


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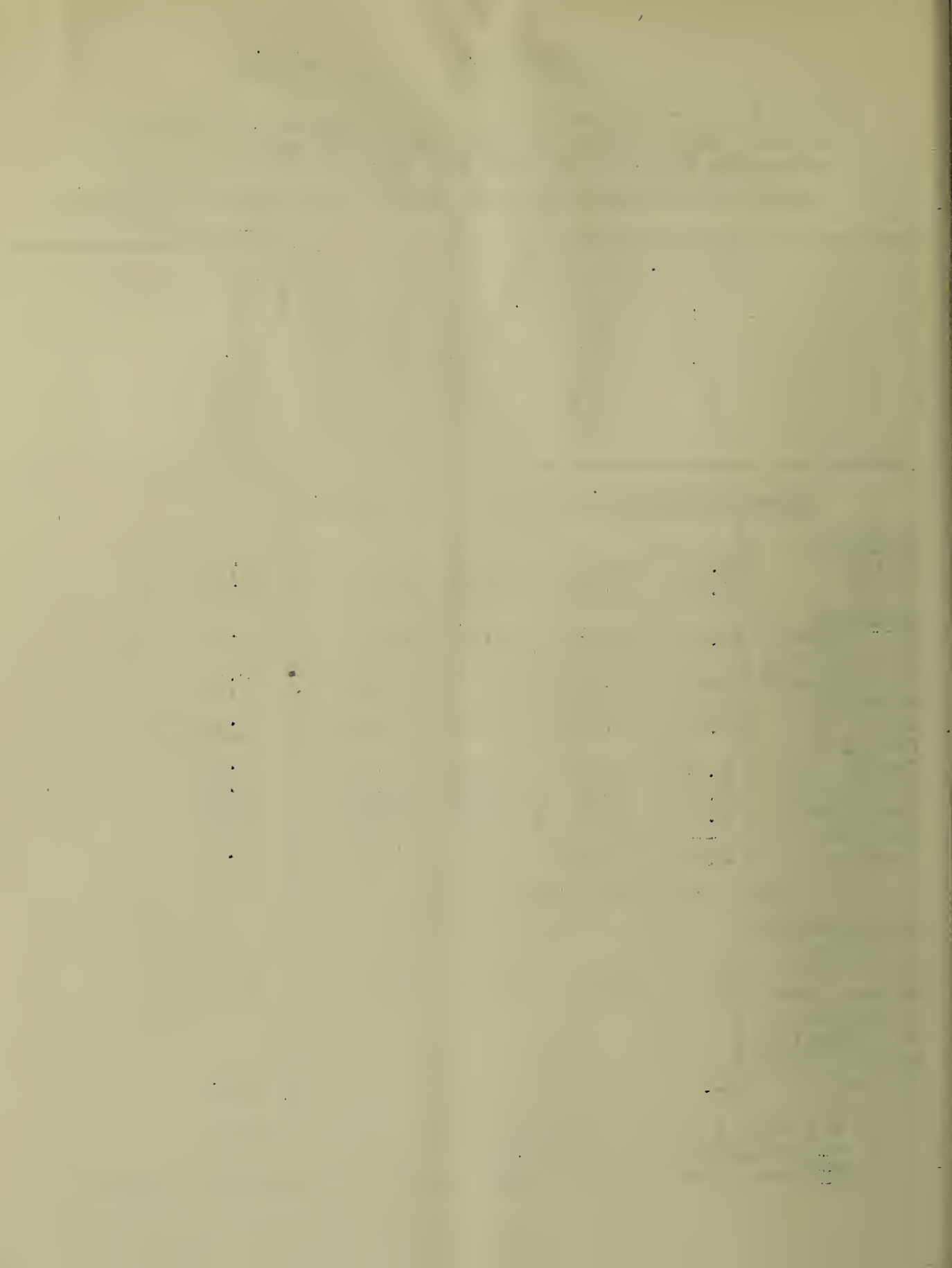
Birth Rates, Civilians Death Rates, Analysis of Mortality
Maternal Death Rates and Case Rates for certain
Infectious Diseases in the year 1943.

Provisional Figures based on Weekly and Quarterly Returns.

| | Godstone R.D.C. | England and Wales. | 126.C.D.'s and Great Towns including London. | 148 Smaller towns resident population 25,000 -50,000 at 1931 Census. | London Administrative County. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| x Rates per 1,000 civilian population. | | | | | |
| Births:- | | | | | |
| Live | 18.1 | 16.5 7 | 18.6 | 19.4 | 15.8 |
| Still | 0.56 | 0.51 7 | 0.63 | 0.61 | 0.45 |
| Deaths:- | | | | | |
| All causes | 11.9 | 12.1 7 | 14.2 | 12.7 | 15.0 |
| Typhoid & Paratyphoid) | 0.03 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Scarlet) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Fever) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Whooping) | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 |
| Cough) | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.02 |
| Diphtheria | 0.27 | 0.37 | 0.36 | 0.37 | 0.27 |
| Influenza | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Smallpox | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| Measles | | | | | |
| Rates per 1,000 live births:- | | | | | |
| Deaths under 1 year of age | 38 | 49 7 | 58 | 46 | 58 |
| Deaths from Diarrhoea and Enteritis under 2 years of age | 3.8 | 5.3 | 7.9 | 4.4 | 10.4 |

x A dash (-) signifies that there were no deaths
/ per 1,000 related births.

~~7~~ These rates are those published in the quarterly return.



| | Godstone R.D.C. | England and Wales. | 125 C.B.'s and Great Towns including London. | 148. Smaller Towns Resident Population 25,000-50,000 at 1931 Census. | London Administrative County. |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <u>x Rates per 1,000 civilian population.</u> | | | | | |
| Typhoid Fever | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
| Paratyphoid fever | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| Cerebro-spinal fever | 0.03 | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.06 | 0.09 |
| Scarlet fever | 2.06 | 3.01 | 3.29 | 3.54 | 3.80 |
| Whooping Cough | 0.59 | 2.54 | 2.82 | 2.25 | 2.68 |
| Diphtheria | 0.49 | 0.88 | 1.12 | 0.77 | 0.74 |
| Erysipelas | 0.00 | 0.31 | 0.35 | 0.27 | 0.42 |
| Smallpox | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Measles | 4.51 | 9.88 | 9.23 | 9.77 | 9.17 |
| Pneumonia | 0.38 | 1.34 | 1.62 | 1.16 | 1.27 |

Rates per 1,000 Total births (live and still)
(a) Notifications:-

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|------|-------|-------|------|---------|
| Puerperal fever | 0.03 | 11.68 | 15.11 | 9.26 | 3.05 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia | | | | | 15.23 # |

(b) Maternal Mortality - England and Wales :-

| No. 140 Abortion with Sepsis | No.141 Abortion without sepsis | No.147 Puerperal Infections | Nos 142-6 148-150 Other |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 0.34 | 0.11 | 0.39 | 1.45 |

Abortion: Mortality per million women aged 15-45
England and Wales.

| No.140 with Sepsis | No.141 without Sepsis. |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 25 | 8 |

including Puerperal Fever.

SECTION 2.

SANITARY INSPECTION.

Annual Statement by Mr. A. H. Sewell, A.R. San. I., M.S.I.A.

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| General Inspections | 703 |
| Re-inspections. | 353 |
| Inspections under Housing Acts | 80 |
| Re-inspections | 460 |
| Drainage Inspections | 47 |
| Inspections of Slaughter Houses | 30 |
| Inspections of Dairies and Cowsheds | 394 |
| Number of Samples of Milk (a) Satisfactory | 96 |
| (b) Unsatisfactory | 59 |
| Inspections of Bakehouses | 24 |
| Inspections of Factories and Workshops | 10 |
| Inspections of Tents, Vans etc., | 21 |
| Drains tested by water | 7 |
| Notices: | |
| (a) Informal | 238 |
| (b) Statutory | 37 |
| Complaints received | 162 |
| Samples of Drinking water tested | 6 |
| Samples of Drinking Water submitted for Bacterial and/or Chemical Analysis | 30 |
| Disinfestation of Premises | 2 |
| Complaints of Rat infestation forwarded to County Rat Officer | 26 |

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SUMMARY OF REPAIRS.

Carried out under the supervision of the Public Health
Department during the year as a result of Notices served.

TABLE 6.

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----|
| Dirty Houses cleansed and limewashed | 35 |
| Houses to which:- | |
| Internal repairs to plaster, etc., executed | 31 |
| Ventilation and lighting improved | 2 |
| Defective windows repairs | 14 |
| Dampness in walls remedied | 32 |
| Dampness in floors remedied | 1 |
| Defective roofs repaired | 21 |
| Firegrates repaired or supplied | 7 |
| Cooking ranges repaired or supplied | 6 |
| Sinks repaired or supplied | 5 |
| Sink waste pipes repaired | 6 |
| Rain water pipes repaired | 11 |
| Eaves gutters provided and repaired | 15 |
| Floors repaired or relaid | 7 |
| Yard paving provided or repaired | 1 |
| Drains repaired | 15 |
| Drains laid | 7 |
| Choked drains opened and cleansed | 25 |
| Cesspools cleansed | 56 |
| New sanitary bustbins provided | 28 |
| Flushings cisterns to W.C.'s repaired or supplied | 9 |
| Miscellaneous nuisances abated | 35 |
| Defective coppers repaired | 4 |
| Food store provided or repaired | 2 |
| Cesspools abolished and drainage connected to sewer | 5 |
| Cesspools provided | 5 |
| Water service pipes repaired | 4 |
| Water service laid on | 4 |
| Overflow from cesspools cut off | 6 |
| Underfloor ventilations provided | 2 |
| Defective walls repaired | 4 |
| Staircases repaired | 5 |
| Defective chimneys repaired | 8 |
| Weather boards to doors provided | 1 |
| Pail closet structures repaired | 4 |
| W.C.pans provided | 6 |
| Verminous premises disinfested | 2 |
| New pail closets provided | 1 |

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| W.C. structures repaired | 4 |
| Defective doors renewed and repaired | 2 |
| Overcrowding Abated | 1 |

Dairies and Cowsheds

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| New or improved drainage provided | 2 |
| Floors improved or repaired | 6 |
| Yards improved | 4 |
| Light and ventilation improved | 6 |
| Cooling dairies improved | 4 |
| Accumulations of manure removed | 6 |

SECTION 3.

HOUSING

TABLE 7.

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year:

1. (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) 238
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 438
2. (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 and 1932 80
- (b) Number of inspections made for this purpose 120
3. Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation 4
4. Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation. 66
2. Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal Notices:

Number of dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or its Officers. 39.

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2. The second part of the report is a detailed description of the experimental work. It includes a description of the apparatus used, the procedure followed, and the results obtained. It also discusses the errors and limitations of the experiment.

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3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year:

A. -Proceedings under Sections 9,10, and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 -

- (1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs 22
- (2) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:
 - (a) By Owners 16
 - (b) By Local Authority in default of owners Nil

B. -Proceedings under Public Health Act:

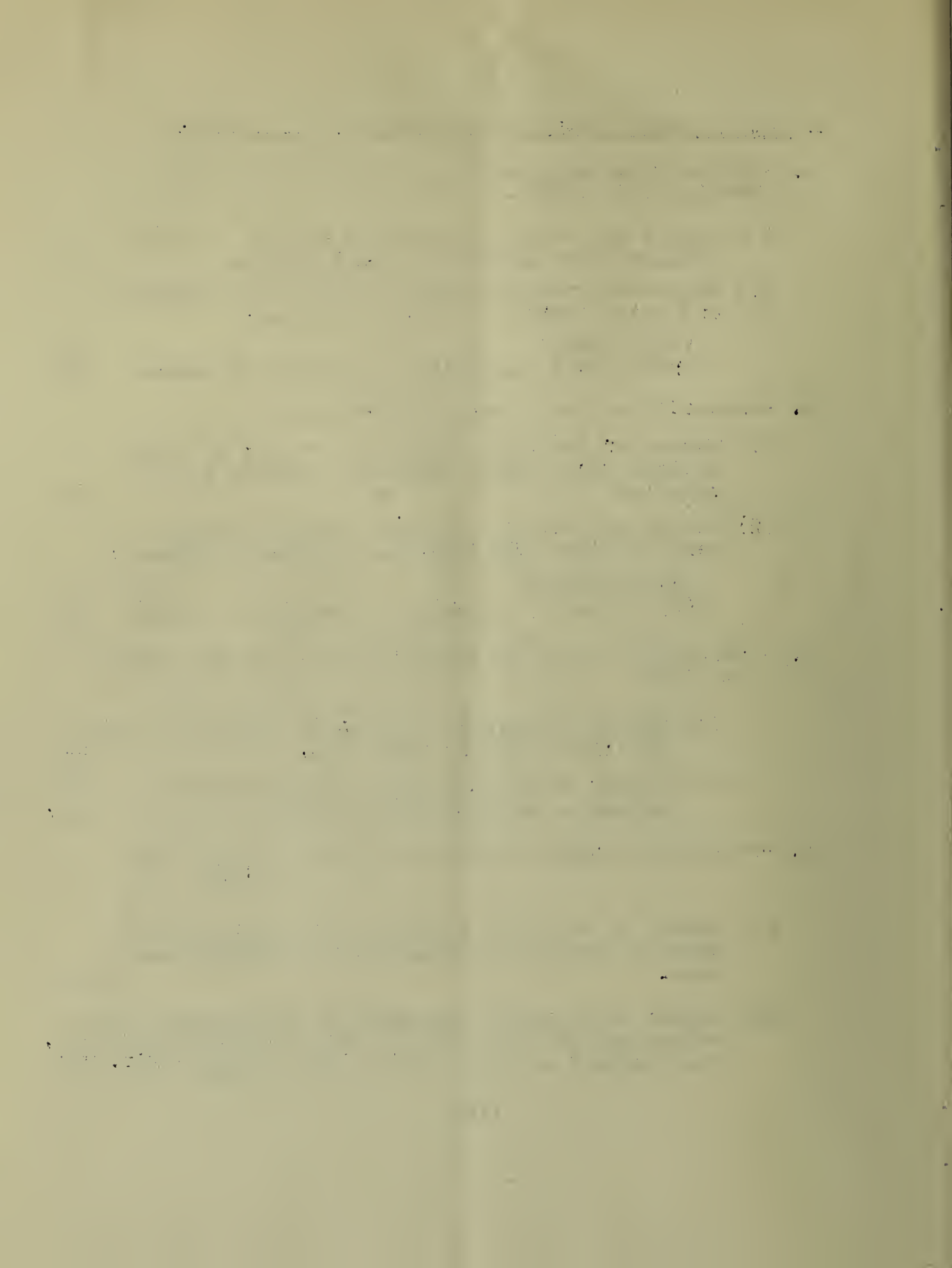
- (1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied 13
- (2) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:
 - (a) By Owners 9
 - (b) By Local Authority in default of owners Nil

C. -Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936

- (1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made. Nil
- (2) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders Nil.

D. -Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936

- (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made. Nil
- (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit. Nil



SECTION 4.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

(a) Milk Supply.

There were 103 wholesale cowkeepers, 99 retail cowkeepers and 15 milk surveyors on the Register on 31st December 1943.

Of these 17 were licensed by the Surrey County Council as producers of Tuberculin Tested Milk and 70 as producers of Accredited Milk.

(b) Food found on inspection to be unfit for human consumption.

Meat

| | |
|---------------|-------------------------------|
| Beef | 1 Ox tongue 200 lbs. |
| Corned beef | 279½ lbs. |
| Pork | 2 Heads and tongues, 1 kidney |
| Pork Luncheon | |
| Meat | 57 lbs. |
| Sausage Meat | 642 lbs. |
| Bacon | 79½ lbs. |
| Meat roll | 46 lbs. |
| Corned mutton | 66 lbs. |
| Chopped Ham | 57 lbs. |

Fish

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Fresh fish | 831 lbs. |
| Tinned fish | 25 lbs. |

Poultry

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Tinned white meat | 2½ lbs. |
|----------------------|---------|

Cereals

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Rolled Oats | 170 lbs. |
| Oatmeal | 29 lbs. |
| Ground Rice | 23 lbs. |

Vegetables

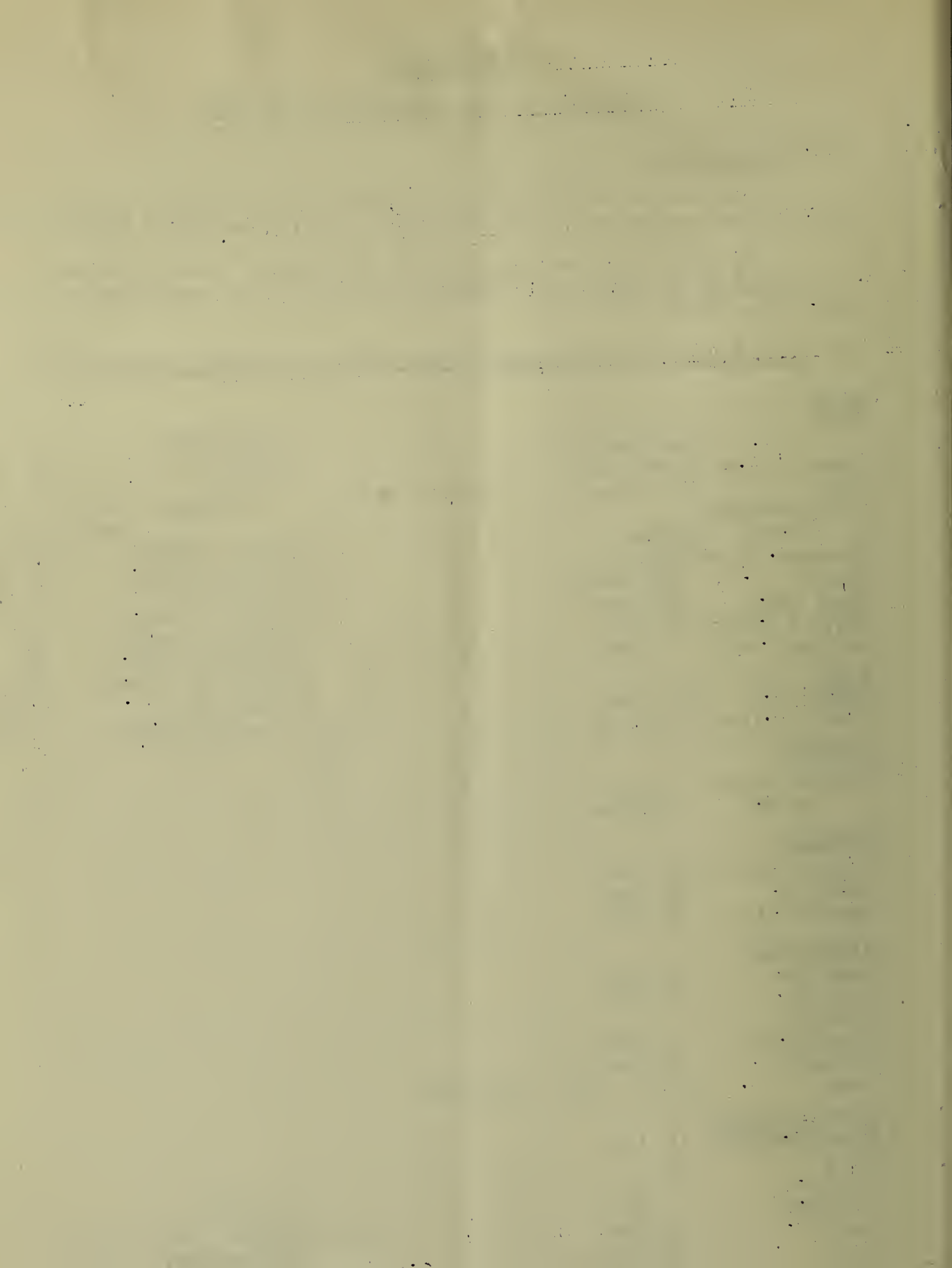
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| Turnips | 16 lbs. |
| Carrots | 5 lbs. |
| Tinned | |
| Vegetables | 3 lbs. |
| Cabbage | 19½ cwts. |
| Peas | 4 tons 1 cwt. 1 qtr. 6 lbs. |

Miscellaneous

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Beans (tinned) | 18 lbs. |
| Eggs | 34 |
| Apricots | 1 lb. |
| Pickles | 1 lb. |
| Soup | 5 lbs. |
| Jam | 35½ lbs. |

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Chocolate | 7½ lbs. |
| Tinned fruit | 114 lbs. |
| Sugar | 176 lbs. |
| (returned to makers for processing) | |
| Milk powder | 40 lbs. |
| Tinned milk | 15 lbs. |
| Semolina | 3 lbs. |
| Potted Meat | 1 lb. |
| Baking Powder | 7½ lbs. |
| Yeast spread | 4½ lbs. |
| Cake (Madeira) | 2½ lbs. |
| Virolax | 1 lb. |
| Peanut Butter | 8 lbs. |

A. H. SEWELL
Certificated Meat & Foods
Inspector.



SECTION 5

Report of the Local Authority's District Hospital
(Infectious Diseases) to 30th June, 1943.

Up to the 30th June 249 patients were admitted. Of these 77 were from the Rural District of Godstone and 152 from the Urban District of Caterham and Warlingham also 20 patients were admitted for Cuddington Isolation Hospital. The following table gives a list of these diseases:-

| <u>GODSTONE DISTRICT.</u> | | <u>CATERHAM DISTRICT</u> | |
|---------------------------|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Scarlet Fever | 53 | Scarlet Fever | 141 |
| Diphtheria | 16 | Diphtheria | 10 |
| C.S.M. | 2 | Mumps | 1 |
| Observation | 1 | Total = | 152 |
| Erysipelas | 1 | | |
| Tonsillitis | 1 | | |
| Ophthalmia | | | |
| Neonatorium | 1 | 20 Scarlet Fever cases admitted on behalf of <u>Cuddington Isolation Hospital.</u> | |
| Pneumonia | 2 | | |
| Total = | 77 | | |

COMPLICATIONS.

| | |
|--------------|----|
| Otorrhoea | 11 |
| Rheumatism | 8 |
| Serum rashes | 10 |

Advised for removal of Tonsils and Adenoids after
discharge = 6

DEATHS.

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Diphtheria | 2 |
| C.S.M. | 1 |
| Scarlet Fever and pneumonia | 1 |
| Total = | 4 |

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DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

DURING the period January 1st to December 31st 1943
a total of 657 children were immunised. The numbers were
made up as follows:-

Under 5 years. 323

Estimated percentage of child
population immunised 59%

5 years to 15
years. 334

Estimated percentage of child
population immunised 46%

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